

**ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
DIRECTOR, DIVISION 2**

DENIS BILODEAU

OCCUPATION: President, Orange County Water District; Civil Engineer

It is a privilege serving as your Director on the Board of the Orange County Water District. This district manages our vital groundwater basin, which is the source of 66% of our water supply.

Since you elected me 4 years ago, I have kept my commitment to ensure our drinking water remains pure, plentiful and affordable. Under my leadership, we have increased the amount of testing performed to safeguard your water quality.

Last year, I appeared before the United States Congress to secure increased funding for water supply programs in Orange County. This resulted in a \$60 million commitment from the Federal Government that will provide for adequate supplies of clean water for generations to come.

As President of the Board, I have led it through financially challenging times. To ensure sound fiscal management and the lowest water rate possible, I directed the elimination of 11 non-essential positions. Without these reductions, water rates would have increased dramatically. Government agencies need to operate with increased efficiency. I am proud of the cost cutting measures implemented at the Orange County Water District and believe it has provided an example for other agencies to follow.

I respectfully ask for your vote.